GOVERNOR JANET NAPOLITANO'S ARIZONA METHAMPHETAMINE TASK FORCE

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Meeting Minutes December 13, 2007

I. Call to Order

Chair LaWall called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Members present

- -Don Sherrard
- -J. Perkowski
- -Gevais Jones
- -Sarah Schmoll for Molly Miller
- -John Dempsky
- -Scott Cocuzza
- -Steve Tyrrell
- -Amy Rex
- -Crystal Reider
- -David Choate
- -Hope MacDonald LoneTree
- -Mary Specio-Boyer
- -Amy Prenda
- -Chris Stoughton
- -Sgt. Chris Tassin
- -Jacob Schmitt
- -Aimee Amado
- -Isabel B. Smutzen
- -Brian Wilcox
- -Jane Irvine
- -Kathy Waters
- -Priscilla Lisicich
- -Brent Stockwell
- -Phillip Stevenson
- -Chuck Palm
- -Jennifer Caposki
- -Lisa Shumaker

Others in Attendance

Kim O'Connor Tonya Brown Dr. Holly Orozco Leslie Mueller Keri Raichert James Copple Colleen Copple

II. Welcome and Introductions

- -Chair LaWall welcomed the Task Force
- -Chair LaWall provided an overview of the meeting agenda

III. Meth Coalition Updates

- -Mary Specio spoke for the Meth Free Alliance (MFA) on behalf of Javier Herrera
- -Background information was provided on the Meth Free Alliance
- -The 5 target areas were discussed, along with the multi level design
- -The different types of initiatives were discussed in regards to the MFA, along with the different strategies that are being taken (pilot project within Pima County communities to create safer communities, involved children in the process, worked with schools and neighborhoods, working on an implementation model for other communities to use, meth media campaign proposal, upcoming event to highlight community efforts and stories of recovery)
- -Chair LaWall mentioned how active MFA is in Pima County and described some of the work that is being done
- -Brent Stockwell provided an overview of the Coalition, along with updates and key outcomes.
- -He described the funding structure and additional Coalition specifics
- -He stated that the community needs assessment and the strategic plan is complete and is now working on the implementation plan
- -He talked about some of the upcoming events and current projects of the Coalition (community workshops, resource directory, youth summits, goal to host a parent town hall, distribute ink pens with website information)
- -He discussed the various subcommittees that have been formed, along with the array of strategies that the Coalition is using
- -Chair LaWall and Jane Irvine complimented Mr. Stockwell for the materials that were provided

IV. National Methamphetamine Training and TA Center

- -Jim Copple introduced Priscilla Lisicich (to share about Technical Assistance and background and to provide an update on the Washington State Meth Initiative)
- -Priscilla congratulated that Task Force and provided encouragement
- -She provided an overview of Washington State and described the different strategies used to combat methamphetamines in Washington State (met with Congressional Delegates, identified Pierce County as a point of intervention, received funding in 2001 to launch a Statewide Initiative to combat meth labs, identified problem areas and the impact of meth in Washington's Communities)
- -She described the different committees and task forces that were formed
- -She discussed the 3 Pilot sites that were selected to provide family oriented treatment services. She mentioned the significant outcomes of the treatment services
- -She described the Community Mobilization Model in detail. Model is based off of community risk factors. She discussed the various goals of this model and the different strategies utilized in meeting the goals.
- -She described the different barriers Washington State came across in implementing the Meth Initiative

-Chair LaWall thanked Priscilla and commended the efforts of the Washington State Meth Initiative

V. Meth Quarterly Status Report

-Jim Copple provided an update on the meth quarterly progress report. He stated that it is currently being vetted.

VI. Monthly Reporting Issues or Concerns

- -Jim Copple mentioned that a barrier to reporting out in a timely manner has been staff turnover. He highlighted the importance of completing the forms on time.
- -Jim Copple stated that groups are discovering new objectives and goals.
- -Jim Copple introduced Colleen Copple, who provided a quick overview of the quarterly report. She also provided highlights of the report, including key activities and progress.
- -Colleen Copple also communicated that the challenge has been to keep the report updated.
- She stated that she will send out further guidelines, as the format will be modified.
- -Jim Copple communicated that the quarterly report will be distributed once it is vetted. He stressed the importance in meeting deadlines with monthly reports, as the report will be distributed to the Governor.
- -Tonya communicated that the quarterly report that will be released will include information from the months of August, September and October

VII. Priority Recommendations Updates

Priority Recommendation One

- -Jim Copple stated that Kim O'Connor has been identified as the single point of contact for issues related to statewide planning and delivery of services specific to methamphetamine. -He mentioned that the Arizona Substance Abuse Partnership (ASAP) has been established and at the last meeting, child welfare as it relates to substance abuse was discussed as a strategic priority area. He also provided an overview of ASAP.
- -Kim O'Connor thanked Holly and Jim

Priority Recommendation Two

- -Lisa Shumaker spoke on behalf of Kathy Rice in regards to funding site-based prevention specialists to enhance the capacity of school districts.
- -She communicated that a screening tool, along with instructions is in the process of being created. The substance abuse screening tool is intended for use in emergency rooms.
- -She communicated that their office is examining proposals to utilize a half million dollars for methamphetamine prevention related efforts.

> Priority Recommendation Three

- -Dr. Holly Orozco provided an overview of the different methamphetamine related media campaigns in Arizona.
- -She communicated that the document provided to the Task Force identifies whether or not the campaigns are based off of evidence-based practice and whether or not there was an evaluation component as part of the campaign. She reviewed the write-up on the Arizona Meth Project as an example.
- -She welcomed input, if any of the Task Force members were aware of any additional campaigns.
- -Chair LaWall mentioned that the Pueblo High School video as an example of meth related media campaign efforts.

> Priority Recommendation Four

-Tonya Brown mentioned that 22 Meth Coalitions were brought together, along with 11 SPF SIG Coalitions and the PPP Coalition. The different trainings and conferences allowed the

Coalitions to brainstorm activities and prevention strategies. -Tonya highlighted the Governor's Press Release related to Meth Week, along with the Forum in September.

Priority Recommendation Five

- -Tonya communicated that Steve Terrell, Jacob Schmitt, and Sarah Schmoll would be discussing the highlights of Priority Recommendation Five.
- -Jacob Schmitt discussed a 3 year, \$500,000 grant provided to focus on Maricopa County. He also discussed new guidelines for drug testing. -Jacob mentioned that Aimee Amado will replace Nancy from Families FIRST
- -Sarah Schmoll discussed the expansion of Drug Courts.
- -Chair LaWall inquired to whether or not Jim Copple would be willing to review Grant Applications. Mr. Copple agreed that he would be willing to look over the Application.
- -Sarah Schmoll stated that a risk and needs evaluation tool is being developed and that they are in the preliminary stages of the FY 2009 Drug Court Evaluation.
- -Kathy Waters mentioned that setbacks are important to overcome, as everything is connected. She stated that she is hoping to focus on process and then outcomes.
- -Julie Treinen stated that ADJC is reviewing screening and assessment tools. She mentioned that amphetamines can be tracked, but that methamphetamines cannot be separated out.
- -Julie stressed that need clearly outweighs capacity, especially youth who are chemically dependent.
- -Julie stated that ADJC and CABHP are conducting a training class for new staff. Julie mentioned the importance of educating other agencies about the challenges of implementing training for increased family involvement.

VIII. Working Lunch

> Priority Recommendation Six

- -Lisa Shumaker stated that treatment centers have been identified for adolescent substance abuse treatment. She communicated that the pilot project is testing the Matrix Model
- -Lisa communicated that there will be 5 new rural detox centers, set-up by May.
- -A question was asked in regards to the detox centers and whether or not they are intended to serve the adult or juvenile population. Lisa did not have the information at this and communicated that she would find out and get back to the Task Force.

> Priority Recommendation Seven

- -Brian Wilcox reported that he is filling in for Tony Coulson.
- -Brian Wilcox reported that Phase I was completed.
- -He communicated that the survey is still law enforcement sensitive.
- -He stated that some of the data has indicated that many rural counties may not have large amounts of meth, but still have crime, addiction and domestic issues. The data also revealed that meth labs are virtually non-existent, compared to previous years. Also, meth is trafficked to Phoenix and is distributed out from there.
- -He mentioned that during the Tribal Strategic Planning Conference in Carefree, it was identified that there is a need to share information and that there has been recent attempts at fostering more cross-agency collaborations.
- -Kim O'Connor commended Brian Wilcox on the coordination of the meeting
- -Chair LaWall communicated how impressive it is to see organization and coordination

> Priority Recommendation Eight

- -David Choate communicated that the 4th quarter data collection has been completed and stated that AARON?? should be fully implemented in every county.
- -He stated that there are issues with a shortfall in funding. He discussed the possibility of changing the protocol so it is more cost effective and recommended to the Task Force that the tool is modified. He presented different ways in which the tool could be altered to be more cost effective.
- -Chair LaWall made the point that if the model is scaled back, certain information will be lacking.
- -Jim Copple communicated that it would be better to refrain from scaling back on larger urban centers and may be better to scale back on some outlying communities.
- -The possibility of looking a rural counties in a rotating quarterly fashion was discussed. This would create more of a snapshot of what is happening in these communities.
- -Jim Copple communicated that revisiting the goal may be helpful in seeing what could be changed.
- -David communicated that he is willing to find a balance to deliver the product that is necessary.

> Priority Recommendation Nine

- -Jane Irvine introduced Jennifer, the head of the DEC program.
- -Jennifer communicated that there has been special outreach to Tribal Communities.
- -Jennifer stated that the DEC protocol was originally written for law enforcement and that other agencies have adopted this protocol.
- -Jim Copple noted the importance of identifying whether or not we are looking at the county perspective or statewide.
- -Chair LaWall recommended looking at protocol by county due to the diversity among counties.
- -Jane Irvine recommended reviewing current tools before rushing to propose statewide legislation. She also recommended sharing ideas between counties.
- -Jim Copple communicated that based on Evidenced Based Practice, there is a number of protocol that counties could choose from, rather than from one statewide protocol.
- -Kim O'Connor discussed scheduling follow-up meetings regarding protocol in January.

> Priority Recommendation Ten

-The individual scheduled to present on Priority Recommendation Ten was absent.

IX. Call to the Public

Chair LaWall made a call to the public. Lisa Shumaker responded by stating that she had the answer to a question previously asked. Ms. Shumaker stated that the detox centers mentioned earlier are intended to serve adults.

X. Adjourr

-Chair LaWall personally thanked all of the presenters.

- -Kim O'Connor introduced new staff -Chair LaWall thanked everyone and wished everyone a happy holiday. -Meeting adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

